



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9671**  
Makoto NISHIMURA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_0976A  
Serial No. 10/620,611 : Group Art Unit 3663  
Filed July 17, 2003 : Examiner Charlie Hung Le  
**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WORKING TUBE** : **Mail Stop: Amendment**

**AMENDMENT**

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 12, 2006, the period for response having been extended for two (2) month by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows: